

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) An image blur correction camera, comprising:
 - a photographing optical system;
 - an image-capturing element that captures a subject image through said photographing optical system;
 - a vibration detection section that detects camera vibration;
 - a blur correction ~~section~~-device that corrects blur of the image captured by said image-capturing element according to detection results of said vibration detection section;
 - an ocular viewfinder for observing the subject with one's eyes in close contact;
 - a non-ocular viewfinder for observing the subject with one's eyes at a distance;
 - a used viewfinder determination section that determines which of said ocular viewfinder and said non-ocular viewfinder is being used; and
 - a blur correction operation changing section that changes operation of said blur correction device according to determination results of said used viewfinder determination section.
2. (Withdrawn - Currently Amended) An image blur correction camera of claim 1, wherein:
 - said blur correction operation changing section suspends operation of said blur correction ~~section~~-device in the event that said used viewfinder determination section has determined that said non-ocular viewfinder is being used.
3. (Currently Amended) An image blur correction camera of claim 1, wherein:
 - said blur correction operation changing section engages said blur correction ~~section~~-device to operate, in the event that said used viewfinder determination section has determined that said non-ocular viewfinder is being used, so that a range over which the image blur correction can be carried out becomes wider than that when it is determined that said ocular viewfinder is being used.
4. (Original) An image blur correction camera of claim 3, wherein:
 - said blur correction device includes an optical blur correction device that corrects image blur by moving a movement member so as to make a change in relative

position between the subject image formed on said image-capturing element and said image-capturing element itself; and

said blur correction operation changing section expands a operable range of said movement member so as to expand the range over which the image blur correction can be carried out, in the event that said used viewfinder determination section has determined that said non-ocular viewfinder is being used.

5. (Withdrawn) An image blur correction camera of claim 3, wherein:

said blur correction device includes an optical blur correction device that corrects image blur by moving a movement member so as to make a change in relative position between the subject image formed on said image-capturing element and said image-capturing element itself; and

said blur correction operation changing section sets a center bias of said movement member weakly so as to expand the range over which the image blur correction can be carried out, in the event that said used viewfinder determination section has determined that said non-ocular viewfinder is being used.

6. (Original) An image blur correction camera of claim 4, wherein said movement member is part of said photographing optical system.

7. (Withdrawn) An image blur correction camera of claim 5, wherein:
said movement member is part of said photographing optical system.

8. (Withdrawn) An image blur correction camera of claim 1, wherein:
said blur correction device includes an electronic blur correction device that corrects image blur by subjecting image data generated by said image-capturing element to image processing; and

said blur correction operation changing section engages said blur correction device to operate so that image blur correction is carried out by said electronic blur correction device if it is determined by said used viewfinder determination section that said non-ocular viewfinder is being used, while image blur correction is not carried out by said electronic blur correction device if it is determined by said used viewfinder determination section that said ocular viewfinder is being used.

9. (Withdrawn) An image blur correction camera of claim 1, wherein:
said vibration detection section has an angular velocity sensor that detects angular velocity of the camera; and

said blur correction operation changing section engages said blur correction device to operate so that image blur correction is carried out based on detection results from said angular velocity sensor and image data generated by said image-capturing element when it is determined by said used viewfinder determination section that said non-ocular viewfinder is being used, while image blur correction is carried out based on detection results from said angular velocity sensor when it is determined by said used viewfinder determination section that said ocular viewfinder is being used.

10. (Withdrawn) An image blur correction camera of claim 1, wherein:

said vibration detection sensor has an angular velocity sensor that detects angular velocity of the camera and an acceleration sensor that detects acceleration of the camera; and

said blur correction operation changing section engages said blur correction device to operated so that image blur correction is carried out based on detection results of said angular velocity sensor and said acceleration sensor if it is determined by said used viewfinder determination section that said non-ocular viewfinder is being used, while image blur correction is carried out based on detection results from said angular velocity sensor if it is determined by said used viewfinder determination section that said ocular viewfinder is being used.

11. (Withdrawn) An image blur correction camera of claim 1, further comprising:

a low-pass filter that passes waves with frequency lower than a set cut-off frequency; and

wherein said blur correction operation changing section switches the cut-off frequency of said low pass filter depending on the viewfinder being used determined by said used viewfinder determination section.

12. (Withdrawn) An image blur correction camera of claim 11, wherein:

said blur correction operation changing section sets the cut-off frequency of said low pass filter, when it is determined that said non-ocular viewfinder is being used, to a value that is lower than that of when it is determined that said ocular viewfinder is being used.

13. (Withdrawn) An image blur correction camera of claim 11, wherein:

said vibration detection section has an angular velocity sensor that detects angular velocity of the camera.

14. (Withdrawn) An image blur correction camera of claim 1, wherein:

said blur correction device has an optical blur correction device that corrects image blur by moving a movement member so as to make a change in relative position between the subject image formed on said image-capturing element and said image-capturing element itself, and an electronic blur correction device that corrects image blur by subjecting image data generated by said image-capturing element to image processing; and

said blur correction operation changing section engages said blur correction device to operate so that image blur correction is carried out by said optical blur correction device and said electronic blur correction device, or by said electronic blur correction device if it is determined by said used viewfinder determination section that said non-ocular viewfinder is being used, while image blur correction is carried out by said optical blur correction device if it is determined that said ocular viewfinder is being used.

15. (Withdrawn) An image blur correction camera of claim 14, wherein:

said vibration detection section has an angular velocity sensor that detects angular velocity of the camera; and

said optical blur correction device carries out image blur correction based on detection results of said angular velocity sensor.

16. (Original) An image blur correction camera, comprising:

an image-capturing element that captures a subject image through a photographing optical system;

a vibration detection section that detects vibration of the camera;

a blur correction signal output section that outputs blur correction signals to a blur correction device that carries out blur correction of the image formed by said image-capturing element according to detection results from said vibration detection section;

an ocular viewfinder for observing the subject with one's eyes in close contact;

a non-ocular viewfinder for observing the subject with one's eyes at a distance;

a used viewfinder determination section that determines which of said ocular viewfinder and said non-ocular viewfinder is being used; and

a blur correction operation changing section that controls said blur correction signal output section so as to output the signals for changing operation of said blur correction device depending on determination results of from said used viewfinder determination section.

17. (Withdrawn) An image blur correction camera of claim 16, wherein:

said blur correction operation changing section controls said blur correction signal output section so as to output the signals for suspending operation of the blur correction device when it is determined by said used viewfinder determination section that said non-ocular viewfinder is being used.

18. (Original) An image blur correction camera of claim 16, wherein:

said blur correction operation changing section controls said blur correction signal output section, when it is determined by said used viewfinder determination section that said non-ocular viewfinder is being used, so as to output the signals for making a range over which the blur correction device is capable of performing image blur correction larger than that when it is determined that said ocular viewfinder is being used.

19. (Original) An image blur correction camera of claim 18, wherein:

said blur correction signal output section outputs the signals so as to change a range of movement of a movement member included in an optical blur correction device which makes a change in a relative position between the subject image formed on said image-capturing element and said image-capturing element itself for correcting image blur; and

said blur correction operation changing section controls said blur correction signal output section so as to output the signals for expanding the moveable range of the movement member to increase a range over which image blur correction can be carried out when it is determined by said used viewfinder determination section that said non-ocular viewfinder is being used.

20. (Withdrawn) An image blur correction camera of claim 18, wherein:

said blur correction signal output section outputs the signals so as to change center bias of a movement member included in an optical blur correction device that makes a change in a relative position between the subject image formed on said image-capturing element and said image-capturing element itself for correcting image blur; and

said blur correction operation changing section controls said blur correction signal output section in order to set center bias of the movement member weakly to increase a range over which image blur correction can be carried out when it is determined by said used viewfinder determination section that said non-ocular viewfinder is being used.

21. (Withdrawn) An image blur correction camera of claim 16, further comprising:

an electronic blur correction device that corrects image blur by subjecting image data generated by said image-capturing element to image processing;

wherein said blur correction operation changing section controls said blur correction signal output device so as to output the signals to said electronic blur correction device so that image blur correction is carried out by said electronic blur correction device if it is determined by said used viewfinder determination section that said non-ocular viewfinder is being used, while image blur correction is not carried out by said electronic blur correction device if it is determined that said ocular viewfinder is being used.

22. (Withdrawn) An image blur correction camera of claim 16, wherein:

said vibration detection section has an angular velocity sensor that detects angular velocity of the camera; and

said blur correction operation changing section controls said blur correction signal output section so as to output the signals for image blur correction based on detection results from said angular velocity sensor and image data generated by said image-capturing element when it is determined by said used viewfinder determination section that said non-ocular viewfinder is being used, and for image blur correction based on detection results from said angular velocity sensor when it is determined that said ocular viewfinder is being used.

23. (Withdrawn) An image blur correction camera of claim 16, wherein:

said vibration detection section has an angular velocity sensor that detects angular velocity of the camera, and an acceleration sensor that detects acceleration of the camera; and

said blur correction operation changing section controls said blur correction signal output section so as to output the signals for image blur correction based on detection results from said angular velocity sensor and said acceleration sensor when it is determined by said used viewfinder determination section that said non-ocular viewfinder is being used, and for image blur correction based on detection results from said angular velocity sensor when it is determined that said ocular viewfinder is being used.

24. (Withdrawn) An image blur correction camera of claim 16, further comprising:

a low-pass filter that passes waves with frequency lower than a set cut-off frequency; and

wherein said blur correction operation changing section switches the cut-off frequency of said low pass filter depending on the viewfinder being used determined by said used viewfinder determination section.

25. (Withdrawn) An image blur correction camera of claim 24, wherein:

said blur correction operation changing section sets the cut-off frequency of said low pass filter, when it is determined that said non-ocular viewfinder is being used, to a value that is lower than that when it is detected that said ocular viewfinder is being used.

26. (Withdrawn) An image blur correction camera of claim 24, wherein:
said vibration detection section has an angular velocity sensor that detects angular velocity of the camera.

27. (Withdrawn) An image blur correction camera of claim 16, further comprising:

an electronic blur correction device that corrects image blur by subjecting image data generated by said image-capturing element to image processing; and

wherein said blur correction signal output section outputs blur correction signals to an optical blur correction device which makes a change in a relative position between the subject image formed on said image-capturing element and said image-capturing element itself using a movement member for correcting image blur, and to said electronic blur correction device; and

said blur correction operation changing section controls said blur correction signal output section so as to output the signals in order to carry out image blur correction by the optical blur correction device and said electronic blur correction device, or by said electronic blur correction device if it is determined by said used viewfinder determination section that said non-ocular viewfinder is being used, and in order to carry out image blur correction by the optical blur correction device if it is determined that said ocular viewfinder is being used.

28. (Withdrawn) An image blur correction camera of claim 27, wherein:
said vibration detection section has an angular velocity sensor that detects angular velocity of the camera; and

said blur correction operation changing section controls said blur correction signal output section so as to output the signals to the optical blur correction device for correcting image blur based on detection results of said angular velocity sensor.

29-33. (Cancelled)

34. (New) A method for controlling of image blur correction for a camera, comprising:

capturing a subject image;
detecting vibration of the camera;

determining which of an ocular viewfinder and a non-ocular viewfinder is being used, with the ocular viewfinder being used for observing a subject with one's eyes in close contact and the non-ocular viewfinder being used for observing the subject with one's eyes at a distance;

correcting blur of the captured subject image according to detection results of the vibration of the camera; and

changing an image blur correction operation for correcting the blur according to determination results of which the ocular viewfinder and the non-ocular viewfinder is used.

35. (New) A method for controlling of image blur correction for a camera according to claim 34, wherein:

the image blur correction operation is suspended when the non-ocular viewfinder is being used.

36. (New) A method for controlling of image blur correction for a camera according to claim 34, wherein:

when the non-ocular viewfinder is being used, the image blur correction operation is carried out so that a range over which the image blur correction can be carried out becomes wider than that when the ocular viewfinder is being used.

37. (New) A method for controlling of image blur correction for a camera according to claim 36, wherein:

the image blur correction is carried out by moving a movement member of an optical blur correction device; and

the range over which the image blur correction can be carried out is expanded by expanding an operable range of the movement member when the non-ocular viewfinder is being used.

38. (New) A method for controlling of image blur correction for a camera according to claim 36, wherein:

the image blur correction is carried out by moving a movement member of an optical blur correction device; and

a center bias of the movement member is set weakly so as to expand the range over which the image blur correction can be carried out when the non-ocular viewfinder is being used.